ney contested election case was resumed. Mr. Johnson, chairman of the committee in charge of the case, stated that the debate would be allowed to run today, and that he should not ask for a vote before 3 o'clock

Mr. Tarsney, the contestee in the case, took the floor in his own behalf. Mr. Tarsney maintained that the fraud committed in Kansas City was perpetrated not in his interest, or that of the contestant, but of certain local candidates on both tickets. He produced a telegram he had received last night, saying that two of the judges of election in one of the wards had yesterday turned state's evidence, and had testified that 400 fraudulent ballots had been prepared by the conspirators and cast, but that they were equally divided between the contestant and the contestee. This showed, he argued, that the truth was being developed, and could be made available for the benefit of the committee, if the case were recommitted.

DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

Senator McMillan today introduced a bill for the relief of Sigmund J. Block and Augustus P. Bauman of this city, relinquishing the title of the United States to lot 1, in square 115, to those persons. A bill was introduced today in the Senate by Mr. McMilian confirming the title of Thomas Yates to lots 13 and 14, in square 30, this city.

Justices of the Court of Claims. Senator Hoar today introduced a bill, which was referred to the judiciary committee, fixing the salary of the chief jus-tice of the Court of Claims at \$6,500 a year and that of each associate justice at \$6,000.

The present salaries are \$5,500 and \$5,000, respectively. Donations of Land.

Mr. Huling has introduced a bill in the House, by request, providing that when any person shall donate to the District of Columbia for street purposes any land conforming to the plan of the city's streets the extension shall be graded, graveled and guttered at the expense of the Dis-

Another bill by the same author provides that when Rhode Island avenue from 4th street northeast to 12th street northeast shall be donated to the District the extension shall be improved at the cost of the District and the government jointly to the extent of \$15,000.

Asking Rapid Transit.

Senator McMillan today presented to the Senate petitions signed by seventy-one citlzens of Washington urging the passage of Senate bill 1886, or some similar measure, requiring the Eckington and Soldiers' Home Railway Company to adopt rapid transit on its lines, and opposing the extension of the tracks of that company unand operated

Gas Hearing Postponed.

Arrangements were made some days ago for a hearing today before the l'istrict committee of the Senate on the gas question. The bill incorporating the National Capital Heat, Light and Power Company was to be made the subject of the discussion and expert testimony was to be had from authoritative sources. When of the members of the committee, Senators McMillan and Harris, were on hand to near the arguments, and the hearing was therefore postponed until a week from to-morrow at 2 o'clock. Mr. F. P. B. Sands of this city represented the new company and introduced as experts who were to speak in its behalf Messrs. James L. Hastings and Charles D. Hauk of Philadelphia. There were also present Messrs. Mclihenny and Leetch of the Washington Gas Light Company, who presented Captain William Henry White of New York city, an expert in ga: matters. It is expected that these gentlemen will appear next week and give the committee the benefit of their informa tion of the subject.

To Repeal the Highway Act. Mr. Stallings of Alabama introduced a bill in the House today to repeal the highed by the proceedings taken thus far un-

CAPITOL TOPICS.

trict committee.

To Reorganize the Navy. A petition was presented to the Senate today by Mr. McMillan from the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, No. 23, of the District of Columbia asking for speedy action on the bill to organize and increase the efficiency of the navy-House bill 3618. The petitioners state: "It is hardly necessary, so plain are all the facts that support our contention, to urge upon the raval authorities the need of providing more efficient and speedy means to add to our en-gineer corps when necessary. It is evident that the whole strength of our navy rests ultimately on this branch. The fact that ships of war at the present day depend no longer on sails for their evo-lution is self-evident, and they are now only huge macnines obedient to the engineer who in the bowels of the vessel must obey the slightest sig-nal of the captain. The slightest mistake or besitancy on his part may not only set-tle the fate of the dreadful conflict going on above him against his side, but it may also be the means of terminating the war disastrously for his country. If no pro-vision is made now so that the present of engineers can be rapidly succeeded by equally competent men in time of war, of what avail are our guns, though they are the most perfect that can be made, or of what avail that millions of dollars should be spent on ships that are the envy of other nations, or that our men are the bravest, our officers the best-trained in their duties? The bill to place all the persons licensed as engineers in United States vessels in the naval reserve is most com-mendable, likewise the provision that none shall be licensed as engineers on United States vessels except bona fide citizens." The same petitioners also urged the pas-sage of Senate bill 1242.

Proposed Rank for Gen. Howard. A bill was today introduced in the Senate by Mr. Hale authorizing the President to appoint Major General O. O. Howard, re-

tired, a lieutenant general on the retired list of the army.

The Willamette River. The Secretary of War today transmitted to Congress a report of a survey of Willamette river. Ore. It is believed that an exditure of \$131,679 is justified on account

of the commercial importance of the river. In Favor of McLaurin.

Elections committee of the House today unanimously decided to report in favor of McLaurin, the sitting member, in the case of Wilson vs. McLaurin, from the sixth South Carolina district, and Latimer, the sitting member, in the case in which Moorman was the contestant, from the third

South Carolina district. A Pension for Mrs. Sutherland. The House committee on pensions today reported favorably a bill to grant a pen-

sion of \$75 a month to the widow of Surgeon General Sutherland. The Post Office Appropriation Bill.

The House post office committee today decided to insert in the post office appropriation the following items: For special facilities on trunk lines from Boston, Mass., by way of New York and Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans, \$196,614; for special facilities from Kansas City, Mo., to Newton, Kan., \$1,700; for special facilities from Chicago to Council Bluffs, via Burlington, \$100,000. The bill is mpleted and ready to be reported to the

Mr. Loud, chairman of the committee, opposed each of these items in committee, and states that he will endeavor to have them defeated in the House. Desires a Reduction.

Senator Chandler of New Hampshire has

introduced in the Senate two resolutions contemplating an inquiry into the expenditures of the Senate, with a view to reduc

Called on the President.

The members of the Philadelphia pro duce exchange, now on a visit to this city, called at the White House at 1 o'clock this afternoon, by appointment, and paid their respects to the President.

The British Commons Rejects the Evicted Tenants' Bill.

PLEA MADE FOR IT BY JOHN MORLEY

The Two Balfours State the Conservative Position.

MEASURE LOST BY 174--271

LONDON, February 26.-Mr. J. J. Clancey, shell of six-inch caliber clean through a Parnellite member for the north division of Dublin county, moved the second reading of the evicted tenants bill in the house of commons today. This measure is of a voluntary nature, not compulsory, and provides that a board of conciliation, consisting of three members, be appointed by parliament and empowered to confirm existing agreements or to reinstate tenants by purchase or as tenants under judicial rent. The number of evicted persons is few and the matter, it is claimed, could soon be settled.

Mr. John E. Redmond, Parnellite, member for Waterford, and Mr. John Dillon, anti-Parnellite, member for East Mayo, sup-

ported Mr. Clancey's motion.
Mr. J. A. Rentoul, Q. C., conservative,
member of Eastdown, moved the rejection
of the motion on the ground that the measure under discussion involved the principle that tenants evicted for non-payment of rent would receive large grants of money and reinstatement

The second reading of the bill was rejected by a vote of 271 to 174. Mr. John Morley, liberal, said he could not understand how the bill could be resisted, and suggested that the Irish church

surplus fund be devoted to it. Continuing, Mr. Morley said that the Duke of Devonshire and other unionists had opposed his bill because it was compulsory, but declared that they would sup-port a voluntary bill. Therefore, they had changed its provisions, and now he would be disappointed if the conservative leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour, did not assent to its

econd reading.
Mr. Gerald Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, said that a policy of conciliation did not mean granting everything demand-ea by the Irish members. The bill in ques-tion could not be justified unless a public evil of grave magnitude existed, and which required an exceptional remedy. He did not think they were justified in expending £80,000 of public money upon 658 evicted tenants of 1893 at the present time, especially as 376 of this number, of which 100 relonged to the Pensonby estate, were coming to amicable settlements of the differerces between themselves and their land-

Centinuing, Mr. Balfour said that the adoption of a bill providing for the payment of money to those who refused to pay their obligations was another step downward in the demoralization of Ireland. The government's land bill, he asserted, would deal with the matter in an adequate manner. Mr. A. J. Balfour said he thought the bill would strengthen the hands of members in asserting that under the same circum-

DEMOCRATS GIVE WAY. Election of Gen. Shryock Treasurer

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. ANNAPOLIS, Md., February 26.-The bill ers of the Washington, Chesapeake and of the committee have been pledged to se-Annapolis railroad was reported with two creey and the decisions of the subcommitway act of the District, and directing the amendments today. The amendments, tee are being very closely guarded. The commissioners to withdraw all maps and which provide that the company shall not main interest, of course, attaches to the Commissioners to withdraw all maps and which provide that the company shall not plans based thereon. The bill also clears the title of all property that may be cloud-the title of all property that m corporation, thereby becoming exempt from taxation, and strike out the clauses in the bill providing its exemption from taxation, were unanimously passed. The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading. Gen. Seth and Mr. Thomas S. Constantine have been here looking af-Senator Talbott introduced a bill today koma Park, in Prince George's and Montgomery counties. The bill extends the pow

ers of the corporation officers and enlarges the town boundaries. The house substitute for the Bruce civil service bill was received in the Senate today. A message prepared by President Bruce was sent to the house, stating that the senate did not concur, and suggesting a conference to facilitate an agreement. Senators Michael, Crothers, Johnson, Ran-

dall and Scott were named as the com mittee from the senate. Gen. Shryock Elected.

Gen. Thomas J. Shryock of Baltimore was elected state treasurer today to succeed Spencer C. Jones of Montgomery. The vote was as follows: Shryock, 59: Wm. T Brigham, 4; Spencer C. Jones, 27.

The democratic senators in a conference last night decided to no longer oppose the election of a state treasurer. They have as yet taken no action toward electing the police commissioners of Baltimore, and have, therefore, still a hold up on the house of delegates. Senator Dryden put Gen. Shryock's name

in nomination and Senator Talbott nominated Mr. Jones.
Senator Westcott of Kent nominated Mr. Brigham, who was Gen. Shryock's principal opponent during the latter's campaign for the treasurership.

This nomination was also advocated by Senator George Day.

Gen. Shryock's election is received with considerable relief by his friends, who have felt some anxiety. There is no doubt that Messrs. Heddinger and Johnson, the caucus nominees for the Baltimore city police commissionerships, will be eventually firmed. Any delay on the part of the sen not to be construed as reflecting upon their fitness.

ANOTHER FRENCH CRISIS.

Fate of the Ministry Rests on the Income Tax Vote. PARIS February 26.-The newspapers of this city express the belief that the coming debate on the proposed income tax will determine the fate of the government, and away tramps. As the result of this experiin view of the appointment yesterday of a budget committee containing twenty-nine all parts of the tramp question, but we have members, out of a total of thirty-three, hestile to the proposed tax, the outlook is not very bright for M. Bourgeois and his fellow ministers.

Legislation in Chio. COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 26.-The

house passed yesterday the Avery bill, raising the age of consent from fourteen to fifteen years, and it is now a law.

The Whittlesey bill, requiring all cheese not made wholly of milk or cream to be labeled "imitation," passed the house, and it is a law. A penalty of \$50 to \$100 fine and ten to thirty days' imprisonment is provided for violation of the law.

WHITE PAPER costs so little nowadays that some newspapers print a large number of give-away copies, which never reach the eye of readers, but go to the junk shops, or directly back to the paper mill. They think they can afford to do this, assuming that on the basis of the number of copies printed, whether actually circulated or not, they can build up a profitable advertising patronage. The Star never does anything of this sort. It doesn't need to. The truth is good

enough for it.

Remarkable Results of a Shell Test at Indian Head.

A Projectile of Cast Steel Easily Penetrates Seven Inches of Harveylsed

Surprising results were obtained at a test of shells at the Indian Head proving ground yesterday, and if these shall be confirmed by further experiments, our navy, which already possesses the best armor plate in the world, will have by far the best armorpenetrating shells, and both of American invention. What was done yesterday at the proving grounds was to fire a cast steel seven-inch Harveyed nickel-steel plate, through the heavy oak backing, and twelve feet into the bank of clay behind. This performance has never been equaled by any projectile of like caliber in the world. As described by the chief of ordnance, who witnessed the experiment: "It went through the plate like hot iron through cheese.' This particular shell was made by the Johnsons at Spuyten Duyvel, New York. The shell proper was of cast steel, but it was of the very best quality of metal, and, moreover, it was treated by a secret process to give it toughness. In addition, it was

it in place when the shoe traveled through the bore of the gun.

Surprise of the Experts. The Johnsons have always been disposed to believe that these caps would add greatly to the penetrating qualities of a shell, but so far the experts have not regarded them highly. The Russians have used the caps with only fair success, but in that case they used a high-grade forged and tempered steel armor-piercing shell to carry the cap. When the Johnson shell slipped so easily through a plate of known high quality, the experts yesterday doubted the evidence before their own eyes, and immediately took steps to assure themselves that the result was not accidental shells, all steel, armor-piercers, of the best quality and equal to the best European shell, was selected and fired at the same velocity at the same plate. It was smashed upon the face of the plate after a slight penetration, just what was expected from this caliber of shell when fired at a seveninch plate.

The Success Repeated. Then another of the Johnson shells, with

its soft metal cap, was placed in the gun and fired at the plate. The result was almost precisely the same as with the first shot, the plate was penetrated with the greatest ease and the shot was almost unscathed.

test. They say that these cast-steel shells can be made for much less than the expensive forged steel armor-piercing shells that they can be made much more quickly, and that they appear to be superior in every respect. Further experiments will be made with them.

There was a further test also at the prov-

ing grounds of the Iowa's barbette plate. It was attacked by twelve-inch shells, one Mr. Clancy's no...... that the bill be read for the second time was then put to a vote, and rejected by 271 to 174.

Six Battle Ships and Fifteen Torpedo Bouts Said to Be Provided For.

The subcommittee on naval affairs has practically decided upon all the details of the naval appropriation bill and it is the present intention of Chairman Bouteile to recently introduced by Senator Bowie to call a meeting of the full committee for extend the privileges and enlarge the pow- tomorrow to act on the bill. The members pretty good warrant for the statement that the subcommittee agreed on six battle ships and fifteen torpeds boats.

It is known that Mr. Boutelle favored

but four battle ships, and it is said that he was outvoted in the subcommittee, Messrs. Cummings of New York and Meyer of Louisiana voting with Mr. Robinson, republican, of Pennsylvania, for six. Mr. Hulick, republican, of Ohio, the other member of the subcommittee, is reported to have voted with Mr. Boutelle. The members of the subcommittee refuse to affirm or deny these reports. The general impression is that the full committee will abide by the action of the subcommittee in this matter, but today there is a strong intimation from at least one republican member of the full committee that this may not be done.

committee who last year opposed the authorization of any battle ships on the ground that the condition of the treasury did not warrant it are now arrayed in favor of the treasury or of the treasury that the condition of the treasury did not warrant it are now arrayed in favor of the treasure that the condition is the treasure of the treasure that the condition is the condition of the condition vor of an increase of the navy that will involve an ultimate expenditure of about \$35,-

No appropriation is carried in the bill for the new ships, the Secretary of the Navy having said it would require a year to prepare specifications, etc. The bill will, how-ever, carry an appropriation for the two ships authorized in the bill of last year, provision for which was inserted in the bill by the Senate.

TREATMENT OF TRAMPS.

Views of the Convention in Session at Fond du Lac.

FOND DU LAC, Wis., February 26.-At the anti-tramp convention the following report of the ways and means committee was adopted:

The experience of the various localities represented in the convention shows that, while some of the tramps would be honest laboring men if they had the opportunity the larger portion of them are determined to live on the public without work; that tramps as a whole are a nuisance and : danger to private families, a needless expense to the public and a means of corruption to public officers. The experience shows that comparatively little has been done to unnecessary bills against the counties rolled up by officers in tramp cases by means of the fee system can be largely prevented by faithful and courageous county boards and the proper use of a work house will drive ence and the discussion, we have not settled agreed on the following resolutions: Resolved, That the system of remunerat-

ing public officers for public services by fees should be abolished. Resolved, That county work houses or some other judicious system of labor for prisoners, including tramps, should be universally adopted. Resolved, That other methods of meeting

the tramp evil, including methods of prevention as well as of cure, deserve the careful consideration of this conference at future meetings.

And we urge all citizens and county authorities and philanthropic individuals to

carefully investigate the many interesting experiments which have been made with the tramp problem in various places, among which we especially name the Frown County work house, the Dane County jail and the Rescue Mission in Milwaukec, all in Wisconsin, and also the provident wood yards in many cities, and the work of the Anti-Tramp Society of Ann Arbor, Mich. And we recommend the methods of the lat-ter society for adoption in all cities of moderate size.

EVACUATION OF EGYPT.

The European Powers Are Discussing

the Matter. PARIS, February 26.-The Figaro dwells today upon the reports in circulation concerning the willingness of Great Britain to evacuate Egypt, and distinctly asserts that in spite of statements to the contrary from London, the European governments are discussing the Egyptian question from its va-rious aspects—whether Great Britain has engaged to evacuate the occupied territory, as to the moment being favorable for the evacuation now that the British authorities admit that Egypt is tranquil and prosperous, and in view of the fact that Turkey has promised to insure the neutrality of the Suez canal in a manner similar to that adopted in the case of the straits of the

LATE NEWS BY WIRE PIERCED THE PLATE DISTRICT AFFAIRS

Bids for Disposing of Garbage Received and Opened. DIVISION OF THE SUBJECT

Liquor Men Protest Against In-

creasing License Fees.

OTHER LOCAL NEWS Bids were opened at noon today by the board of proposals of the District for in-

cinerating the general refuse of the city

for a period of four years beginning July

These bids, it will be recalled, were invited by the Commissioners with the object of basing an estimate for an appropriation from Congress. The bids, therefore, have little significance, as no deposit guaranteeing good faith on the part of the bidder was required, and the Commissioners in their specifications specifically stated that they were not authorized to enter into confurnished with a cap of soft forged steel, fastened on by three small screws, to hold tract, nor to obligate themselves in any

manner in reference thereto. There were half a dozen bidders this afternoon upon the proposal, which latter were divided into four separate items. The first was for incinerating all general refuse lying north of the mall and the Potomac river and west of 7th street west and Brightwood avenue. The second proposal was for collecting and incinerating all general refuse lying north of the mall and East Capitol street and of a line prolonged eastward in the direction of that street to the eastern boundary of the District, and lying west of 7th street west and of Brightwood avenue. The third embraced the collection and incineration of all general street and of a line prolonged eastward in the direction of that street to the eastern boundary of the District, while the fourth and last proposal embraced the collection and incineration of the refuse of the whole city.

All of the bidders were represented at the meeting this morning. The first bid opened was that of McCoy & Co., who only bid under the fourth proposal, agreeing to collect and incinerate all the refuse of the city, and incinerate the same in two McCoy crematories at such places as may be mutually agreed upon, for the sum of \$10,-

The next bid opened was that of R. H. Hood of this city. Mr. Hood was the only bidder who accompanied his proposal with a check of \$1,000. His bid was as follows: "For incinerating, in accordance with the annexed specifications, all general refuse collected in the District of Columbia and delivered at crematories to be erected by the undersigned as follows:"

1st. For the sum of \$9,995, to incinerate all general refuse in a furnace best suited for the purpose, erected south of C street and west of 18th street.

2d. For the sum of \$11,995, to incinerate all general refuse in two crematories to be erected, one as above stated, and the other south of M street and west of the navy 3d. For the sum of \$15,905, to incinerate all general refuse at the places above named, and another furnace to be erected in the vicinity of Printled. in the vicinity of Trinidad. He undertakes to erect the first furnace in fifty-five days,

and the other twenty-five days later.

Mobray & Baillie of Philadelphia presentthe work under the irst proposal for \$5,000, the furnace to be ready within thirty days. For the second proposal, \$1,000 was bid; for the third, \$4,000, and for the last, which in-cluded the collection and incineration of the refuse of the whole city, they bid \$13,000, agreeing to erect as many Vivantas fur-

also bid for the work! His bid was \$20,000 under each of the proposals, and \$80,000 for complying with the terms of the fourth proposal, which contemplated the collection incineration of the refuse of the entire city. He offers to build three Rider furnaces, and have them ready within sixty days.

Joshua N. Warfield, the present garbage contractor, was also a bidder. Under the first proposal he bid \$4,000 for doing the work, and proposes to erect a Brown plant or other plant acceptable to the Commissioners and located west of 21st street northwest, location to be approved by the commimissioners, the furnace to be erected

within n nety cays.

He does not bid under the fourth proposal. but quotes the same figures under the third proposal, agreeing to erect a Brown plant at the foot of South Capitol street for doing the work.
Under the fourth proposal his bid reads

\$15,600 for doing the work, providing two crematories, the Brown erected at the foot of South Capitol street for one, and the Brown or system acceptable to the Commissioners erected west of 21st street, both furnaces of sufficient capacity to incinerate all general refuse, and to be used for the disposal of garbage and dead animals, within ninety

The last bidder was A. W. Colwell of New York. He offered to erect on reservation No. 13 a Colwell crematory with a capacity of fifty tons per day, for \$15,000, and with a capacity of 109 tons per day for \$20,000. Under the first proposal his bid was \$10,000, the crematory to be located on C street between 21st and 22d northwest, or a location \$500, for a crematory to be located on squares 1111 or 1121. His third bid was for south of O street southwest, and his fourte proposition was to collect and incinerate the entire refuse of the city for \$22,000, in cremateries to be erected at the above named loca-tions, and on 1st street south of O street southwest. He agrees further to sell the three plants to the District at 20 per cent

atove cost of erection. Opposed to High License

A committee from the executive board of the Federation of Liquor Dealers, consisting of Messrs. Jordan, Sullivan, Maguire and Whelan, waited upon Commissioner Ross at the District building in opremedy the tramp evil by private individusioner Ross at the District building in op-als or organizations; that the enormous and position to the proposed increase of the present license fee to \$800. They were informed that the bill had not as yet reached the Commissioners, but were assured that when it did their reasons for opposing it would be given due consideration

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

Permanent Director at Agricultural Department Favored.

At a meeting of the joint commission of the scientific societies of Washington held at the Cosmos Club resolutions were adopted in favor of the suggestion of Secretary Morton to provide for a permanent director in charge of scientific research in the Agricultural Department. The matter was submitted to the commission some time ago, and at a meeting last week the resolutions were taken upi? They met with some opposition, and were finally resubmitted to the committee, which was increased by the addition of several gentlemen who were nost pronounced in their objection to the measure. At the special meeting last evening there was a large attendance. Prof. G. Brown Goode occupied the chair. The resolutions, which were favorably reported by lutions, which were favorably reported by the committee, were discussed at some length, and a number of those present opposed their adoption. Their objection was not so much to the resolutions themselves, but arose from the feeling that the whole matter was not properly within the province of a purely scientific body. The resolutions, after being so amended as to make them generally satisfactory, favored the establishment of such an office in the Agricultural Department as being in the intercultural Department as being in the inter est of science, and expressel the opinion that permanency in office is in the interest of good government.

Another Club Incorporated. Articles incorporating "The High View

Club" were filed this afternoon, stating as objects the promotion of social intercourse and mutual improvement of the members and to provide them with the usual conveniences of a club house. The incorporators are D. Carroll Digges, John Lockwood, Webster Downing, Charles F. Hadfield and Howard E. Donath.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee Will Take Action.

A Resolution Expected Requesting the President to Recognize the Insurgents as Belligerents

Intimations that President Cleveland pro-

posed to delay decisive action in the matter of Cuban recognition until the opening of the rainy season and that the House committee on foreign affairs is disposed to postpone the passage of a resolution on the subject in accordance with his wish, are said to be unfounded so far as the House foreign affairs committee is concerned Since the Cuban correspondence was printed the subcommittee have had the question under consideration, and all the indications are that when the full committee meets tomorrow a resolution will be submitted and favorably acted upon. The committee seem to be practically of one mind in favor of early action. The resolution will probably declare it to be the sense of Congress that a state of war exists in Cuba, and will request the President to issue his proclamation recognizing the insurgents as belligerents and giving them the rights of neutrals.

Senator Allen's Substitute.

Mr. Allen of Nebraska today offered in the Senate a substitute for the pending Cuban resolution. It requires the President to recognize the independence of Cuba and to accord to the diplomatic officers of the Cisneros Cuban government the same rights and privileges as those given to the Spanish minister at Washington.

MUCH INTEREST IN THE VOTE.

Exciting Times Are Promised a Frankfort, Ky., Friday. LOUISVILLE, Ky., February 26.-A spe cial to the Post from Frankfort, Ky., says The exciting scene in the house this morning attending the bringing up of the contested election cases of Werner-Tompkins made the taking of the thirty-first ballot for Senator in general assembly very interesting. There was a general hum when the two houses came together that dicated much excitement.

The doorkeeper had hard work to keep persons from the floor of the house who had no right to be there. The lobbies and galleries were crowded with people, who waited to see if there would be another outbreak.

The decision of the house to take up for censideration the Werner-Tompkins case Friday means that lively times may be ex-

pected on that day.

The call of the roll showed 134 member present; necessary to a choice, sixty-eight. There were only two pairs. This is one of the largest gatherings of the session. Hunter amid some applause. Bowling and Carpenter voted for Judge Holt. Hissom cast his vote for J. W. Yerkes, while Rummans, the fourth of the republican senators who have left Dr. Hunter, voted for John W. Lewis.

Dr. Hunter lost another vote when Repre sentative Chambers voted for Holt. There were no desertions from Blackburn The ballot resulted: Hunter, 61; Black

surrounded and Captured and Guard ed by Rangers. FORT WORTH, Tex., February 26.-Fos ter Crawford and "The Kid" raided the City National Bank at Wichita Falls, Texas, yesterday afternoon, killing Cashier Frank Dersey, wounding Bookkeeper P. P. Langford, and securing \$400. They were captured last night nine miles from town after a fight of an hour. They were sur-rounded in a thicket and when they tried to cross a field into another thicket the pursuers opened fire and they surrendered. One of the robbers was shot in the back. They were taken to Wichita Falls and state ratgers guarded them all night. This morning a mob is gathering for the purpose of lynching the two robbers, fear to advance on the jail as long as the rangers are inside with their prisoners. Should the rangers depart while the mob holds together the jail will be stormed and nothing can save the two men.

One of the robbers, Foster Crawford, is wounded, though not seriously. Both of the robbers are well known in the locality, having been cow boys on the range for a number of years. The wounded bookkeep-

MORE TROOPS FOR WEYLER. Arrival of Reinforcements Fron Spain at Havana.

HAVANA, February 26.-The steamship Buenos Ayres arrived here today from Spain bringing, as reinforcements, the Wadras and Reina battalion of infantry. The troops were accorded a most enthusiastic reception, and, after landing, were re-

viewed by Captain General Weyler from the balcony of the palace. Gen. Weyler reports as follows from Havana:

"The bands of Gomez and Maceo are trying to go to the east by the border of the Cienega de Zapata (the Zapata ever-giades). In order to stop them, the column of Gen. Echague was ordered in pursuit They found the cavalry vanguard of the enemy on the 22d, and dispersed them in the direction of Estante. The enemy left three killed and several horses. They were marching toward Bolondron.

"Gen. Arolas reports that Maximo Gomez passed toward Navajas. There are forces conveniently situated to check the advance. Small bands in the province of Havana and Matanzas are destroying the communica-tions, and burning small villages, which are unprotected. Near Limonar, in Matansas, a detachment of troops defeated some groups of the enemy, killing Francisco Rey, second in command, of the band of Rodri guez."

LOST CONTROL OF THE CAR.

It Dashed Down a Hill at Cleveland With Possibly Fatal Results. CLEVELAND, Ohio, February 26.-While a heavy motor car filled with passengers was descending the long, steep hill at the foot of Scranton avenue this morning the brake failed and the motorman lost control of the car. It at once plunged forward at a terrific rate, and, it is estimated, reached a velocity of a mile a minute. Half way down the hill the motor crashed into a heavily loaded truck. .

It ploughed through this obstruction and then struck a coal wagon a few hundred feet on. Wm. Marx, driver of the truck, was

hurled thirty feet, while the driver of the coal wagon was pitched headlong on the side of the street, alighting in a snow bank, which saved him from serious injuries. Marx received many wounds and is probably internally injured and may die.

The front of the car was smashed and the motor box wrenched from its fasten-

Motorman Hart did not desert his station and was bruised about the head and shoulder. The passengers became terribly panic stricken and would have jumped if he conductor had not held the door.

ADMIRAL FYFFE DEAD. An Ohio Boy Who Worked His Way

Up From the Lowest Position. OMAHA, Neb., February 26.-A special to the Bee from Pearce, Neb., says: Rear Admiral Joseph Fyffe, U.S.N., retired, died in this city at 10:20 last night, after an illness of about three weeks. His death was the result of a complication of diseases resulting f:om an attack of grip.

Admiral Fyffe was born at Urbana, Ohio, July 26, 1832; was in the sea service forty-seven years, having worked his way to his rank from the lowest positions. He received his promotion as rear admiral two years ago, and six days after receiving his commission was placed on the retired list. He went to Pearce, Neb., eighteen months ago to make improvements unor his property. His remains will be taken to Urbana for interment.

JUSTICE FOR THE CUBANS FINANCE AND TRADE

Opening Prices Higher in Sympathy With London.

MODERATE DEMAND FROM ABROAD

Realizing Sales Produced Fractienal Concessions.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, February 26.-Opening prices this morning were fractionally higher in sympathy with a high range of values in London and a moderate buying demand for foreign account. Realizing salos by the room were inspired by the higher level, however, and fractional concessions predominated in all parts of the active railway list toward the close of the noon hour. The day's transactions were largely professional, the volume of legitimate outside buying being insignificant !n character.

The reaction recorded since yesterday morning is looked upon with considerable favor by commission houses as an im-proved demand is likely to arise within a narrow radius of the present level. Dis-appointment at the failure of remedial tariff legislation was urged in explanation of the profit-taking, but it is believed that the settlement of the doubt involved in the recent spasmodic discussion of this sub-ject will eventually prove more beneficial than otherwise.

The market for foreign exchange developed some indications of dvancing as the result of a moderate increase in the demand and a small supply of commercial drawings. The easier rates for all classes of money accommodations are in some measure, responsible for this tendency toward higher exchange rates. Inside buying of sugar was a noticeable

feature of the day's trading, a sharp advance to 118½ following liberal purchases. The almost complete indifference to general speculative motives exhibited by tock indicates a decided confidence in the wisdom of the present manipulation. Reactions of less than one per cent have been temporarily recorded during the week, but the recovery has always been accomplish-ed by a few purchasers of large amounts. The buying at today's advance was su-perior to the selling in every instance. The short interest in Leather preferred was credited with a 1 per cent advance in the price of that stock. The company's statement of earnings and assets was in-

terpreted as being discouraging to any ex-tension of the short account. The price yielded immediately upon the cessation of covering however, no new interests being attracted to the property.

The trading of the last hour was moderately active and in the main at fractional declines from the opening level. The gran-ger shares sold down for declines varying from 1-2 to 3-4 per cent, traders being the most conspicuous sellers. The entire rail-way list was lacking in that support which has characterized the advance since the be-ginning of the month. In the industrial list ginning of the month. In the industrial list prices also yielded from the best figures of the previous hour, profit taking being responsible for the reduction. The action of the several state legislatures in prohibiting the sale of cigarettes had an unfavorable effect on American Tobacco, liberal short selling being inspired thereby.

London's attitude will in all probability govern the course of prices during the balance of the week.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERICIAL.

The following are the opening, the highest and the lowest and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, as reported by Corson & Macartney, members New York stock exchange. Correspondents Messrs. Moore & Schley, No. 80 Broadway.

American Sugar, Pfd... American Sugar, Pfd... American Tobacco.... American Eotton Oil... Atchison anada Southern..... 39 80% 105% 69% 78% Chicago Gas, Cfs..... C. M. & St. Paul..... C. M. & St. Paul. 78%
C. M. & St. Paul, Pfd. Chlc., R. I & Pacific. 74%
Del., Lack. & W. Pelaware & Hudson. 127% 74% 7816 785 127% 49% 18% 32% 149% 149% 16% 16% 55 55 Louisville & Nashville... Long Island Traction... Metropolitan Traction... Manhattan Elevated.... Manhattan Elevated... 104%
Michigan Central... 24%
Missouri Pacific... 24%
National Lead Co... 26
National Lead Co... Pfd... 87%
U. S. Leather, Pfd... 65%
New Jersey Central... 105%
New York Central... 98%
N. Y. & N. Eng. Cfs...
N. Y. C. & St. Louis...
Northern Pacific 24% 26 87% 66% 07% 241 N. Y. C. & Si. Louis.

Northern Pacific, Pfd. 16

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North American. 554

Ont. & Western. 1554

Pacific Mail. 2874

Phila. & Reading. 1334 16% 5% 15% 30% 13% | Pullman Pal. Car Co | Southern Rallway, Pfd | 52% | 82% | Southern Rallway, Pfd | 52% | 82% | Fenn Coal & Iron | 8% | 9 | Fenn Coal & Iron | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 83% | 8 321/ 83/ 7 18% 11%

*Ex-div.1%. Washington StockExchange.

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Sales—regular call—12 o'clock m.—Chesapeake and Potomae Telephone, 10 at 54. Mergenthaler Linoiype oldt, 3 at 218. After call—Columbia Railroad 68, 8569 at 114½. Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 200 at 23 cents; 100 at 23 cents.

Government Bonds.—U. S. 4s, registered, 105% bid, 110½ asked. U. S. 4s, 1825, 117½ bid, 117% asked. U. S. 5s, 1904, 113½ bid, 114 asked.

District of Columbia Bonds.—20-year fund 5s, 103 bid. 30-year fund 6s, gold, 108 bid. Water stock 7s, 1901, currency, 110 bid. Water stock 7s, 1901, currency, 110 bid. Water stock 7s, 1901, currency, 112 bid. 3.65s, funding, currency, 109½ old. 3½s, registered, 2-10s, 100 bid.

Miscellancous Bonds.—Metropolitan Railroad 5s, 107½ bid. Metropolitan Railroad conv. 6s, 112½ bid. 113½ asked. Belt Railroad 5s, 90 bid. 83 asked. Eckington Railroad 6s, 98 bid, 101 asked. Columbia Railroad 6s, 113¾ bid, 114½ asked. Washington Gas Company 6s, series B, 110¾ bid. Washington Gas Company 6s, series B, 110¾ bid. Washington Gas Company 6s, series B, 110¾ bid. Washington Gas Company Cappany 6s, series B, 110¾ bid. Washington Gas Company conv. 6s, 120 bid. 130 asked. U. S. Electric Light conv. 5s, 120 bid. 105 asked. American Security and Trust 5s, F, and A., 100 bid, 105 asked. American Security and Trust 5s, F, and A., 100 bid, 105 asked. American Security and Trust 5s, F, and A., 100 bid, 105 asked. Washington Market Company inp. 6s, 109 bid. Washington Market Company inp. 6s, 109 bid. Washington Market Company yext. 6s, 109 bid. Washington Market Company yext. 6s, 109 bid. Washington Market Company yext. 6s, 109 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 104½ bid. Washington Market Company imp. 6s, 109 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 104½ bid. Washington Market Company imp. 6s, 109 bid. Masonic Hall Association 5s, 104½ bid. Washington Market Company of the Masonic Hall Association 5s, 104½ bid. Washington Light Infantry 1rt 6s, 199 bid. National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington 200

ington Market Company ext. 6a, 109 bid. Masonie Hail Association 5s, 104¼ bid. Washington Light Infantry 1st 6s, 99 bid. Mostington Light Infantry 1st 6s, 99 bid.

National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 290 bid. Bank of the Republic, 240 bid. Metropolitan, 291 bid, 310 asked. Central, 275 bid. Farmers and Mechanics', 190 bid, 195 asked. Second, 133 bid, 140 asked. Citizens', 132 bid. Columbia, 129 bid, 136 asked. Capital, 116 bid. West End, 107 lid, 1083½ asked. Capital, 116 bid. West End, 107 lid, 1083½ asked. Traders', 99 bid, 163 asked. Incolu, 99 bid, 191 asked. Ohlo, 85 bid, 95 asked. Safe Deposit and Trust, 116 bid. 125 asked. Washington Lona and Trust, 116 bid. 125 asked. Washington Safe Deposit, 50 bid.

Security and Trust, 145 bid, 150 asked. Meshington Rallroad Stocks.—Capital Traction Company, 71½ bid, 74 asked. Metropolitan, 99½ bid. 101 asked. Columbia, 55 bid. Belt, 25 asked. Eckington, 14 bid. Georgetown and Tennallytown, 10 bid, 30 asked.

Gas and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas.

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Gas and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas. 46¼ bid, 48 asked. Georgetown Gas. 45 bid, 55 asked. U. S. Electric Light, 122½ bid, 123½ asked. Insurance Stocks.—Firamen's, 30 bid. Franklin, 38 bid, 45 asked. Metropolitan, 70 bid. 85 asked. Corcoran, 52 bid. Potomac, 65 bid. Arlington, 142 bid, 155 asked. German-American, 170 bid. 185 asked. German-American, 170 bid. 185 asked. Higgs, 8 bid, 8½ asked. Columbia, 12½ bid, 14 asked. Biggs, 8 bid, 8½ asked. People's, 5½ bid, 5½ asked. Lincoln, 8 bid, 8½ asked. Commercial, 4½ bid, 5¼ asked. Estate Title, 107 bid, 114 asked. Columbia Title, 6½ bid, 114 asked. Olumbia Title, 6½ bid, 114 asked. Telephone Stocks.—Pennsylvania, 28 bid, 50 asked. Telephone Stocks.—Pennsylvania, 28 bid, 50 asked. Chesapeake and Potomac, 53 bid, 54 asked. Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 23 bid, 25 asked. Mergenthaler Linotype (new), 108½ bid, 225 asked. Mergenthaler Linotype (new), 108½ bid, 115 asked. Lanston Monotype, 7% bid, 8 asked. Washington Market, 13 bid. Great Falls Ice, 120 bid, 130 asked. Lincoln Hall, 90 asked.

Baltimore Markets. BALTIMORE, February 28. Flour dull. un-changed—receipts, 9,984 barrels; shipments, 45,290

barrels; sales, 450 barrels. Wheat firm—spot and month, 74½a74½; March, 74½ asked; May, 78½a 73½—receipis, 636 bushels; stock, 124,000 bushels; sales, 130,000 bushels—southern wheat by sample, 77a78; do. on grade, 73a76. Corn firm—spot and month, 34a34½; March, 34½a34½; April, 34½a34½; May, 35½a34½; steamer mired, 32½a32½—receipis, 57,561 bushels; shipments, 102,528 bushels; stock, 824,907 bushels; signes, 6,000 bushels—southern white and yellow corn, 33¼a34½. Onts casy—No. 2 white western, 27a27½; No. 2 mired do., 25½a22—receipts, 9,318 bushels; stock, 55,950 bushels. Rye quiet and steady—No. 2, 43a44 nearby; 45a46 western—receipts, 616 bushels; stock, 97,276 bushels. Hay firm, good demand—choice timothy, \$16.00 bid. Grain freights steady, unchanged. Sugar firm, unchanged. Butter firm, bigher—fancy creamery, 22a2; do. inditation, 16a18; do. ladle, 15; good ladle, 13a14; store packed, 9a10. Eggs weak—fresh, 11½; cold storage and limed, 8a9. Cheese steady, unchanged. Whisky unchanged.

Grain and Cotton Markets. Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., 1421 F street, members New York stock exchange, correspondents Messrs. Ladenburg, Thal-mann & Co., New York.

OPTON. Open. High. Low. 7.57 7.64 7.57 7.63 7.68 7.63 7.68 7.73 7.68 7.73 7.77 7.73 April....

THE MINORITY REPORT

Grounds for Objecting to the Pro-

posed Censure of Mr. Bayard. Mr. Dinsmore of Arkansas today filed the minority report of the committee on foreign affairs on the resolution to censure Ambassador Bayard. The report is very brief. It says that the minority dissent from the views of the majority, and that in their opinion there was nothing in either

of the speeches that calls for or justifies any censure by Congress.

"The proposed action," is continues, "is unwarranted and unprecedented. Representatives of the United States in foreign countries are properly and exclusively as to the regulation of the propriety or dis creteness of their conduct, under the discretion and control of the executive department of the government by any interference by Congress in this respect can have only the effect of detracting from the dignity and usefulness of our foreign service. The report is signed by Mr. McCrear (Ky.), Mr. Tucker (Va.) and Mr. Money

REVOLUTION IN MICARAGUA. Advices Received at the State De-

partment From Minister Baker. The State Department has been advised by United States Minister Baker of the threatened revolution in Nicaragua, and the minister has also asked to have a United States warship stationed at Corinto, although the officials will not confirm or deny this. Probably the reason for declining to admit the fact is that the department has found itself, after communicating with the Navy Department, unable to comply inmediately with the minister's request, owing to the absence of any United States raval vessel from the vicinity of Corinto. Urfertunately, the United States ship Alert, which has been at San Jose, in Guacemala, sailed from that port yesterday for Acapuico. Mexico, and so got beyond the immediate reach of the Navy Department. She should, however, reach Acapulco by Saturday or Sunday, and she will there re ceive orders to turn southward again and go to Corinto. Although this will be done in deference to Minister Baker's request, it is not believed at the State or Navy departments that a great emergency exists in Nicaragua, or at any rate, one that could be met by stationing a warship on the west coast, far removed from communication with the interior towns, where the revolu-

A Swiss Banner for New Berne. Mr. Pioda, the Swiss minister, has gone to New Berne, N. C., for the purpose of delivering to the mayor an elegant silk banner, handsomely embroidered with the coat of arms of Switzerland, presented to the North Carolina city by the corporation of Berne, the capital of the Swiss republic, as a token of esteem and good will. New Berne was established by Swiss immigrants and was named in honor of the capital of their fatherland. Last year Berne celebrated the seven hundredth anniversary of its birth as a city, and the mayor of New Berne went there to participate in the festivities. It is partly in recognition of this expression of good will on the part of the citizens of the American city that the authorities of the old city have forwarded the testimonial in question. The cere-monies incident to the formal presentation of the banner will be held in the city hall of New Berne tomorrow.

Rival Cable Companies Heard.

The Senate committee on foreign relations today granted hearings to the two rival companies which propose to construct cable lines from the California coast to Hawaii and to China and Japan, Col. Z. S. Spaiding of Hawaii appeared for his company, and was supported in his representations by Gen. Wager Swayne, while Messrs. Scrymser and Baylles represented the interests of the Pacific Cable Company. Col. Spalding and Gen. Swayne dwelt upon the advantages of the concession which has been secured from the Hawaiian govern-ment, while Messrs. Scrymser and Baylies claimed that these were more than offset

by the terms which their organization had offered. Funeral of Mrs. Van Riswick.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Van Riswick whose death was announced in yesterday's Star, took place today from her late residence, 1413 K street northwest. It was very largely attended. The honorary pallbearers were Mr. Justice Morris, Dr. J. M. Toner, Mr. A. R. Spofford, Mr. M. G. Emory, Mr. Jesse B. Wilson, Mr. J. J. Darlington, Mr. Wm. F. Quicksall and Mr. Louis P. Shoemaker. Among those in attendance was Gov. Elias Carr of North Carolina, who came on for the purpose. The services included solemn re-quiem mass at St. Matthew's. Besides the pastor and his assistants there were present Rev. Fathers Richards and Welsh of Georgetown University, Dr. Stafford of St. Patrick's, Rev. Father Mackin of St. Paul's and Rev. Father Cunningham and Galler of Baltimore. The mass was sung by the full choir and was highly impressive.

Ernest Lyles Held.

Ernest Lyles, the young colored man who it is charged shot at Saliie Johnson near the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and 26th street Sunday evening, as published in Monday's Star, was arrested last evening by Policeman O'Brien of the third precinct and locked up. This morning he was taken to the Police Court and charged with assault and concealed weapons. Emma Williams appeared in court and made similar charges against him. Both cases were continued until Friday, and bond was fixed at \$100 which was not given was fixed at \$800, which was not given.

Found Dead.

Lee Linthicum, thirty-two years old, was found dead in bed at his home, No. 515 L street northwest, this morning. Coroner Hammett was notified. Death, It is hought, resulted from heart disease.

has been ordered to repair to this city and report to the adjutant general for temporary duty.

For Temporary Duty Here.

First Lieut. Charles Byrne, sixth infantry,

Government Receipts. National bank notes received today for redemption, \$258,566. Government receipts-Fron internal revenue, \$276,346; customs.

Another Trial for the Ericsson

The Navy Department is making arrangements to have another trial of the torpedo boat Ericsson on the 1st proximo. The boat is now at New London, and this time the trial will be held under the auspices of the Navy Department entirely. The engines will be speeded up to a certain point, that will in-dicate that the boat is making the required speed of twenty-four knots per hour.